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September 14, 2000

Lon Thomas Star Stone Quarries, Inc. 4040 South 300 West Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

Re: Required Revisions to Reclamation Surety, Certificate of Deposit No.

Peoa Quarry,

M/043/012, Summit County, Utah

Dear Mr. Thomas:

The Division is in receipt of your recent Certificates of Deposit No. (\$5,600.00) and No. (\$20,000) from First Security Bank, provided as reclamation surety for the Peoa Blonde Quarry, located in Summit County, Utah. Following discussions with Troy Anderson of First Security Bank and legal review by Division counsel, we find that the following changes will be necessary before we can accept these certificates and grant final approval for the Peoa Blonde Quarry large mine permit application:

- 1. As with previous certificates provided by American Stone, a formal cover letter will need to be prepared and signed by the mine operator and the Division Director. This letter will be sent to First Security Bank describing the specific conditions for redemption, release, renewal instructions and disposition of the accrued interest for the certificate(s).
 - A copy of this draft letter is enclosed for your review and approval. Please forward this draft letter to First Security Bank for their review and comment. Have them contact us directly with any concerns they may have with the proposed language. Once acceptable, we will prepare a final version of this letter for proper signatures by the affected parties.
- 2. Immediately after the owners name on the certificates it should state, "held for the benefit of (FBO) the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining." If space is available on the face of the certificate, an additional statement similar to the following should be included: "Reclamation surety, Star Stone Quarries, Inc. Peoa Blonde Quarry". The actual account for the certificate(s) should be set up in the mine operator's name.
- 3. The signature card should allow only the signature of the Division Director (currently Lowell P. Braxton) to either redeem or release the certificate, as described more fully in the attached CD cover letter. The signature card should also state that the certificate is provided by Star Stone Quarries, Inc. "For the Benefit of:"(FBO) the "State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas & Mining" as reclamation surety for the Peoa Blonde Quarry.

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Please be advised that the maturity and renewal date for the previously accepted \$25,000.00 Certificate of Deposit No.1 is September 21, 2000. This certificate lists the owners as: "American Stone Thomas and State of Utah - Peoa". Please notify your account representative at First Security Bank that this certificate must be revised upon renewal to reflect the same language changes as outlined under items 2 and 3 above.

Thank you for your patience and assistance in completing the bonding arrangements for this large mining permit. Please don't hesitate to call me, or Lynn Kunzler if you have additional questions or concerns in this regard.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

Permit Supervisor

Minerals Reclamation Program

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Attachment: Draft CD cover letter

Pam Grubaugh-Littig Lynn Kunzler

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(Last revised 9-13-00)

DRAFT COVER/INSTRUCTION LETTER FOR CD'S

		(Bank Name)		
		(Address)		
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Atten	tion:	(Bank Acct. Rep.,	Branch Manager, etc.)	
Re:	Reclamation Sur	rety, Certificate of Deposit for	Mine Site,	
	M//	(OGM mine file #) ,	County, Utah	
		eposit no; Princip		
	This letter descr	ibes the mutually agreed upon instru	actions of the below signed parties t	0
	30	Bank (Bank), regarding the control	, redemption, and release of Bank's	3
above	e-described certific	ate of deposit (CD), which is being	used as a surety to guarantee the	
availa	bility of reclamation	on funds for the	mine site,	
	county, Utah	(Mine Site). It is the intention of the	ne parties that the CD be utilized as	
surety	to guarantee that	\$ in rec	lamation funds will be available to	the
State	of Utah, Division	of Oil, Gas & Mining (Division) upo	on demand in the event that the	
opera	tor(s) of the Mine	Site are unable or unwilling to com	aplete reclamation of the mine site in	n
comp	liance with state la	aw and regulations (Title 40-8-14(7)	, and Rules R647-4-114 & R647-5	-
101).				

Ownership and Renewal:

Ownership of the CD is retained by	, a	corporation, and by
, an individual(s), (colle	ectively "Owners"), b	ut it is held by Bank for the
benefit of the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Ga	as & Mining and is su	bject to the terms and
conditions described in this agreement. The CI) shall automatically	renew indefinitely until either
redeemed or released by the Director of the Dir	vision.	

Redemption:

The CD may only be redeemed (i.e., called on demand), pursuant to the written instruction or demand of the Director of the Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining to the Bank. Upon the instruction and demand of the Director, the full initial amount of the CD shall be transferred to the State of Utah. Owners agree and irrevocably instruct Bank that neither the Owner(s), nor any other person claiming an ownership interest in the CD which is derived from the Owners, shall have the authority to prevent the Bank from carrying out the Director's instruction to redeem the CD. Upon redemption, any accrued interest in excess of the initial amount of the CD shall be transferred to Owners' control, or if Owners do not instruct the Bank, the accrued interest shall be reinvested in the CD. If a signature card is prepared, it shall be drafted consistent with the requirement that only the Director of the Division may redeem the CD.

Release:

The bank shall release the CD only upon the written instruction of the Director of the Division to the Bank. Upon release, the terms and conditions of this agreement are no longer in effect, and the unconditioned control of the CD shall be returned to the Owners, or their legal successors-in-interest.

Accrued Interest:

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Prior to release or redemption, all interest which accr	rues by the CD shall be 1) dispersed quarterly
to the Owner(s) as the Owner(s) may instruct the Ba	nk, or 2) shall be reinvested in the CD until
such time the Owner(s) may instruct the Bank where	to transfer such interest. In no event shall
the Bank transfer any amount from the CD which wo	ould cause the redemption amount of the CD
to be less than the initial amount, \$. All tax liabilities for accrued interest
shall remain the responsibility of the Owners.	
Bank will not be held liable for any dispute betw	een the parties.
Agreed Upon By:	
	Date:
Lowell P. Braxton, Director Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining	
Tax ID Number:	
	Date:
Name and Title of Owner	
Tax ID Number:	
	Date:
Name and Title of Owner Tax ID Number:	